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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6806

BILL NUMBER: HB 1211

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 23, 2012

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Nursing Facility Screening and Notification.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Crouch

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
X FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the dissemination of specified information as part of: (1) a nursing facility's notification to applicants; (2) the nursing facility preadmission screening program; and (3) the hospital discharge process.

The bill specifies assessments that must be completed during a nursing facility preadmission screening.

Effective Date: July 1, 2012.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill requires Area Agencies on Aging (AAA), nursing facilities, and hospitals to give AAA contact information and a list of known available local long-term care services options to individuals. The bill requires the AAAs to prepare lists of known available services including home and community-based services. As the state's fiscal intermediaries for the CHOICE program, Medicaid waiver programs, and other long-term care services programs, the AAAs would be most likely to have the local knowledge necessary to compile lists of locally available service options. The cost associated with compiling and providing the required lists would be expected to be limited; currently, some AAAs include this information on their websites.

It is not known at this time the extent to which each of the 16 AAAs is in compliance with the requirement to explain the results of an assessment to the individuals being assessed for long-term care services or if each of the AAAs would have sufficient staff resources to accomplish this requirement without additional funding.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Division on Aging, OMPP, FSSA.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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